Student Guidelines for Mid-course Evaluations

Help your instructors enhance your learning experience!

What to do

- 1. Ask your instructor to reserve 10-15 min of class time for mid-course evaluations.
- 2. If the class is large, split into small groups.
- 3. Select a facilitator and reporter for each group. The facilitator manages the conversation. The reporter records the feedback.
- 4. In groups, share feedback about your instructors (and teaching assistants, if any). Feedback should be constructive.
- 5. After class, the reporter shares the feedback with the instructor.

How to optimize the potential for success

- Be specific.
- Provide practical suggestions/solutions.
- Realize that only constructive feedback is likely to stimulate change/improvement.

Examples:

Say: "It would be helpful if the instructor used a microphone."

Don't say: "The instructor has lousy presentation skills," or "Nobody understands a word the instructor says."

Say: "The instructor is sarcastic at times during lectures, which makes learning difficult and confusing."

Don't say: "Then has tructoois' a sarcastic loudmouth."

How to waste the opportunity-

• List ALL your instructors' flaws and weaknesses